

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: If you deduct 8,000 from 20,000 it must come to 12,000.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI: Then do you mean to say that only Rs. 12,000 has been saved by the amalgamation.

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: No. The Maramat Engineer is a permanent Executive Engineer of the P. W. D. and so has been taken back into the Department and the post declared supernumerary and since absorbed in the Department.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI: Was this amalgamation one of the reason to continue the post of the Deputy Chief Engineer?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: No, Sir.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI: May I know the amount that is now allotted for temple restoration is the amount that was sanctioned years ago?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: I can't answer that now.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI: May I know whether this amalgamation is advantageous to the Devaswom Department or to the Government?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: The Devaswom Department is part of the Government and their interests are identical.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI: May I know from the member whether the Government is not a trustee of the Devaswom?

PRESIDENT: How can the Chief Engineer say whether the Government is or is not a trustee of the Devaswom?

Maintenance of the Karavila channel.

254. ***MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR** (*Tovala cum Agastiswaram*): Will the Government be pleased to state what amount was spent for the maintenance of Karavila channel during the years 1109, 1110, 1111 and 1112?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: A *statement giving the information is laid on the table.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR: May I know why in 1109 the amount spent for the maintenance in the canal was very low?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: Because much work was evidently not necessary then.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR: Was there any complaint received by the Chief Engineer to the effect that the channel is not maintained properly?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: Yes, there was a complaint.

Maintenance of the Krishnanputhooor Kal.

255. ***MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR:** Will the Government be pleased to state the amount spent for the maintenance of the "Krishnanputhooor Kal" in the years 1108, 1109, 1110, 1111 and 1112 and in the first half of the year 1113?

* *Vide* Appendix I Page 1050.

PRESIDENT : The honourable member has made the question clear. He said that in the Registration Department certain contingencies occurred. If that question had been put along with the list of questions the honourable member would have consulted the Department concerned and a more satisfactory answer could have been facilitated.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI : May I know whether No. 1 in the order of merit is out of service?

DR. G. D. NOKES : If the member refers to the first selective test for English speaking clerks on Rs. 20 in various departments, the first selected candidate is now out of service, I believe, as I have received about four petitions from them to this effect.

MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP : May I know whether the honourable member is aware that candidates are recruited first as a Police Constable then as a teacher and on the third occasion as a hotel server?

DR. G. D. NOKES : It is quite possible in cases where the minimum qualification is the same.

MR. E. P. VARGHESE : Sir, I wish to know whether there are actually cases where teachers have been made to act as Sub-Registrars?

DR. G. D. NOKES : I am not aware of any specific instance.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN : May I know whether, at present, a candidate has to wait without any employment for years sometimes after once getting an acting appointment?

DR. G. D. NOKES : It is quite possible that a candidate may be appointed for a short vacancy, and not be reappointed for a year or perhaps two years.

Staff in the office of the Public Service Commissioner.

275. ***MR. K. P. KOCHUKORATHARAKAN :** With reference to the office of the Public Service Commissioner, will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Public Service Commissioner has written to them that the present staff in his office is insufficient and that more hands have to be entertained;

(b) if so, whether permission has been given to entertain more hands; and

(c) if not, the reason therefor?

DR. G. D. NOKES : (a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) Does not arise, in view of the answer to Part (b) of the interpellation.

Appendix I

Vide Answer to Question No. 254

The amount spent for the maintenance of Karavila channel during the years 1109, 1110, 1111 and 1112.

year.	Amount.		
	Rs.	Ch.	C.
1109	201	17	13
1110	407	0	12
1111	536	12	14
1112	311	23	0